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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Yasuhiro SAKAI et al.

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For: Method of Staining, and Detecting and Counting  
Bacteria, and a Diluent for Bacterial Stain

Examiner: Susan Marie Hanley  
Group Art: 1651

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

SIR:

**PETITION**

Applicant(s) hereby petition for a one-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Office Action of March 6, 2007. A check in the amount of \$120 in payment of the government fee for a one-month extension of time is enclosed herewith so that the period for response is extended to July 6, 2007. Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the present application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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## **RESPONSE**

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 6, 2007 and the Advisory Action dated May 31, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.